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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives H 307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Rainbow Municipal Water District Thoroughbred Lift Station and Sewer Improvements in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Rainbow Municipal Water District, located 3707 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook CA 92028.

The Thoroughbred Lift Station and Sewer Improvements project includes the replacement and expansion of a critical lift station reaching the end of its useful life, two gravity mains, and one force main. These improvements are required to replace deteriorating and undersized sewer lines that run alongside and under the San Luis Rey River. The size and location of the existing sewer near and under the river creates significant inflows during storms that have led to sewer overflows. The project will move the sewer line onto a bridge over the river rather than running under the river which avoids these problems.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve wastewater conveyance capacity to the benefit of the entire RMWD service area as well as our tribal neighbors due to the presence of sensitive cultural resources that will be protected as part of this project. By extending existing infrastructure within area, RMWD will be able to address and support future development inquiries, as well as accommodate future economic development which would be a direct benefit to the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting an important project.

Sincerely

DARRELL ISSA Member of Congress